

**Mental Health Board Minutes**  
**San Luis Obispo County**  
**November 16, 2011**  
**3:00 to 5:00pm**  
**2180 Johnson Ave.**  
**San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Tyler Brown  
Pam Crabaugh  
Karl Hansen  
Joyce Heddleson  
Jill Heuer  
Kelly Kenitz for Ian Parkinson  
David Odell  
Stephan Ponce  
Charmaine Quinlan  
David Riester  
Jim Salio

**MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES ABSENT:**

Lisa Kelley  
Vicki Shelby for Frank Mecham  
Mary Lee Waggoner

**GUESTS:**

Theresa Merkle (*CenCal Health*)  
Lorna Hewitt (*Pacific Western Bank*)  
Simon Lawrie

**MENTAL HEALTH STAFF PRESENT:**

Karen Baylor  
Jane Ahlquist  
Kim Miramon  
Janet Amanzio

1. **Meeting** was called to order @ 3:00 pm by David Reister.
2. **Introductions and Announcements:**
  - Three potential new members introduced themselves: Theresa Merkle, CenCal Health; Lorna Hewitt, Pacific Western Bank and Simon Lawrie, County Counsel.
  - David Riester commented on an article in reference to AB109 (Realignment) in the LA times today.
3. **Citizen Comments:** Citizens are invited to make comments relevant to Mental Health issues at this time.
  - Simon Lawrie spoke of his situation and his concerns on AB109.
  - Theresa Merkle gave a brief description of her position at CenCal Health and how she could be beneficial to the Mental Health Board.
4. **Action Item Re:** October 19, 2011, meeting minutes were reviewed and correction was made followed by approval of motion by Joyce Heddleson and seconded by Jill Heuer.  
MSC: (Heddleson/Heuer).
5. **Presentation:** Fiscal Review – Kim Miramon
  - Kim provided an overall view of the County budget for 2012/2013.  
By January's Mental Health Board meeting we should know the level of proposed cuts to the Health Agency budget.

**6. Director's Report: Karen Baylor**

- Karen announced receipt of an Adult Treatment Court Collaborative grant from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The \$400,000 grant was one of only 11 awarded in the nation.
- Karen distributed a copy of the results from the External Quality Review Audit that was held in September, which is a report required by Federal Government.
- Anasazi update: Half-way through implementation for outpatient services. Upon completion of the outpatient implementation, we will then begin implementation for the In-patient unit.

**7. Committee Reports:**

- Membership Committee – Joyce Heddleson introduced 3 new board candidates who will be interviewed by the Membership Committee.
  - Mary Lee Waggoner (a member of the Membership Committee) will be taking a LOA due to health issues. Good Luck to you Mary Lee, we all wish you well.
- Legal Services – (Action Item) At the last Legal Services meeting the group discussed AB109 which began October 1, 2011, counties are responsible for sentence implementation for non serious, non violent non sex offense crimes which previously resulted in imprisonment. Counties are assured state funds for their new responsibilities until 6-30-12. The Legal Services Committee recommends that the MHB send letter to our State Legislative Representatives to continue the funding for public safety realignment. (MSC Brown/Odell).
- Children's Services – Will meet again shortly.
- Adult Services Policy Council – Pam Crabaugh attended the last meeting discussed the Transitional Food & Shelter Program.
- Executive Committee – David Riester will draft the AB109 letter and present it to the Mental Health Board for approval.

**There will be no meeting Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.**

*The next Mental Health Board meeting will be Wednesday, January 18, 2012 3:00pm – 5:00pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Health Campus.*

*Jane Ahlquist*